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Sir:

Applicants submit this Preliminary Amendment to amend its specification to claim priority to U.S. Provisional Application Serial No. 60/232,036, filed September 12, 2000, and entitled "METHODS FOR REDUCTION OF THE EFFECT OF AIR TURBULENCE INSIDE DISC DRIVES" in addition to the provisional applications to which priority was previously claimed and to correct the filing date of Provisional Application Serial No. 60/263,629. Applicants submit a replacement File Data Sheet with the additional priority claim.

Prior to the calculation of fees, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

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